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Hongkong, September 16, 1895. 846

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Hongkong, December 18, 1895. 223

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Hongkong, February 11, 1896. 399

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Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 501

Notice of Firm.

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE

INSURANCE COMPANY.

MESSES. ARNOLD, KARBURG &

Co. have this day been appointed

SUB-AGENTS of the above Company.

1st January, 1896.

S. J. DAVID & Co.,

Agents, Hongkong.

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prepared to accept FIRE and

MARINE RISKS at Current Rates.

ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,

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Intimations.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS

are requested to send in a STATE-

MENT of BUSINESS CONTRIBUED dur-

ing the Half Year ended 31st December

1895 on or before the 31st March, on which

date the Accounts will be CLOSED.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. OOOKE,
Acting General Manager.
Hongkong, March 2, 1896. 474

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MACLEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
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Hongkong, February 11, 1896. 381

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WORKS RELATING TO
JAPAN.

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Killing's Guide to Japan.
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Things Japanese, by Basil Hall Chamber-

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Hall Chamberlain.
Japan, by Sir Edward Arnold.
Japan and its Art, by Marcus B. Huish.
Old World Japan, by F. Rider.
Religion of Japan, by W. E. Griffie.
The Japs at Home, by Douglas Sladen.
Japan as we saw it, by Bichsel.
Rambles in Japan, by Canon Tristram.
Grammar of Japanese Written Language,
by W. G. Aston.
On Shore leave to Japan, by Capt. Young-
husband.
Rambles through Japan without a Guide,
by Albert Tracy.
China-Japan War, by Vladimir.
IN THE PRESS
Handbook of the Japanese Language.
Hongkong, February 28, 1896. 468

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MOST EFFECTIVE AND
BEST PRESERVATIVE FOR TIMBER
against
Decay, Dry Rot and White Ants, etc.
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Intimations.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF

CANTON, LIMITED.

THE Notice convening an Extraordi-

ARY GENERAL MEETING of SHARE-

HOLDERS for the 12th Instant is hereby

canceled, and the Meeting will not be held.

CORPORAL C. GRANVILLE-HARCOMB, one of 'Jameson's Men,' arrived in Colombo about a fortnight ago, dressed in the uniform of the South African Chartered Company's force. He was taken prisoner, but the Boers afterwards took him to Komatiport, in Portuguese territory, and turned him loose. He made his way to Delagoa Bay, and thence to Galle.

A RECENTLY occurred during the progress of the fire last night. Two men were hauling a meat cart containing half a ton of pork from the Western Market, and coming down West Street the men lost control of the cart which dashed into Queen's Road and struck a small boy who was witnessing the fire, killing him on the spot. The boy's back was broken. A post-mortem examination was held this afternoon.

H. M. S. Grafton arrived at Port Said from Hongkong on the 2nd Feb., and left on the following day for England. The *Mercury* left Port Said on the 4th Feb. for Plymouth. The hired transport *Teser* arrived at Southampton on the 6th Feb., with 9 officers, 272 men of all ranks, 14 women and 27 children. Capt. McCarthy, R.E., was in command.

At the Magistrate's today Mr. W. Maclell, residing at Teinshatun, charged his car and garden with stealing a quantity of vegetables. For some time past Mr. Maclell has missed vegetables out of his garden, and on Saturday he discovered a quantity of 'vegetables hidden in the cook's pantry. He sent for the police and had the man arrested. They were each sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment.

ABOUT ten o'clock last night fire was discovered to have broken out in a cockpit on the ground floor of 367 Queen's Road central. The fire brigade was soon on the spot, under Captain Hastings. The building, consisting of three stories, was gutted. The cause given for the fire was the upsetting of a kerosene lamp. It was also discovered that the master had gone to Canton. The building was insured with the 'Meiji' Fire Insurance Company.

Last night five men were making merry on board the *Olo*, on the occasion it is supposed of the birthday of one of the number. The revellers were equated on the fore-castle deck, and were making the night hideous to the officers, by their vocal demonstrations. Shortly after ten the Captain was alerted as he came aboard with a confused medley of sounds, and going forward, discovered the party mixed up in a general slaughter with bottles and other weapons. He hastily summoned the water police who came aboard and secured four of the rowdies. No trace was obtained of the fifth, who mysteriously disappeared on the arrival of the police. The ship was searched in vain, and it was thought he had jumped overboard. This morning, however, he was discovered snugly asleep inside the ship's boiler, which had been emptied for repairs. They were all taken before Mr. T. S. Scurrah Smith at the Magistrate's today, and presented a sorry spectacle with their bruised visages. For their evening's fun they were charged \$5 each.

WRITING on the subject of Tonkin, the Paris *Figaro* says:—'Apropos of pirates, one of our own correspondents sends us curious details regarding the bandits who abducted the Lyndet family and kept them in captivity until General Son, obedient to orders from Peking, obtained their deliverance. The abduction of officials and colonists, if M. Roussier does not put Tonkin in good order, will become a commercial operation greatly advantageous for the Chinese banks in Hongkong.' The correspondent does not explain how the Hongkong banks are to benefit from the piratical raids in Tonkin. Does he wish to create the impression in the easily-influenced Parisian mind that Hongkong, a British Colony, in some occult manner, is mixed up with the pirates of Tonkin and, as a British Colony, profit by their depredations? The *Courier d'Haiphong* says that the English papers, those of Hongkong especially, are never tired of holding forth on the 'piracy' in Tonkin. Whether there be more or less practical incidents these journals always insist on that we are in the midst of blood and fire. All such items are received as gospel truth, and then we hear the cry raised that the French are unable to colonize. 'If we, English,' reply these journals, 'were in Tonkin the "Golden Age" would flourish in that colony, and the pirates would long ago have disappeared.' After all, says the *Courier*, in Tonkin we shrug our shoulders at such 'fantasmes.' We are glad the *Courier* has awakened to a sense of the ridiculous. So far as our recollection goes of Hongkong comment on Tonkin piracy, the tendency of the English papers is merely to faithfully reproduce what is chronicled in French papers; no inference is made that British would govern Tonkin better than the French, but if our French brethren wish to know British opinion it may be readily ascertained by a visit to Hongkong. There is no reason why we should shelter behind inference. We have no hesitation in saying that if the British were in Tonkin—which they have to desire to be—they would give the French yet another lesson in 'how to colonize.'

W. ROBERTSON & Co.'s Pianos are guaranteed for the ultimate. Pianos Repeated equal to new.

There were 224 European and 2,316 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Museum during the week ending March 8.

The International Football Match (Rugby) between England and Ireland resulted in a win for Ireland by 2 goals (10 points) to 1 dropped goal (4 points).

'Everybody seems to be dying,' says the Spectator; and the news in the latest batches of Home papers would seem to justify the remark.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that Mr. A. Bath has been appointed Deputy Registrar and Appraiser of the Supreme Court with effect from the 21st February.

It is announced in St. Petersburg from Wladivostok that eighty officers of the Russian garrison at that place have expressed a wish to study Chinese in the gymnasium. Why in the Gymnasium?

In consequence of the lifting up of the Macao river, the steamer *Heungshan* grounded on the mud off San Francisco on the 2nd inst., but beyond causing a stoppage of traffic and inconveniencing the passengers on board, no damage was done.

Tax stamp revenue last month amounted to \$19,014, showing a decrease of \$137 on the amount collected in the corresponding month of 1895. The majority of the items show an increase, but under the head of probate there is a decrease of \$2,122.

VESSELS IN THE DOCKS.—At Kowloon: *Chowla*, *Namoa*, *Princess Wilhelm*, *Ivy*, *H.M.S. Redpole*, *H.M.S. Wivern*, *Sinagou*, *Cosmopolitan*—On Saig, *Martha*, *Salsuma*, *Maru*.

Aberdeen—Oroon.

At the Supreme Court this morning, before The Hon. W. Melgh Goodman (Acting Chief Justice), Mr. Robert Edward McBirney was admitted and enrolled to practice as a Solicitor in Hongkong. He was introduced by Mr. Pollock (Acting Attorney General), who was instructed by Mr. Deacon.

A FLEET of land at Bowington comprising 10,000 square feet was exposed for sale by public auction this afternoon by Mr. J. L. Prosser. After competition, it was knocked down to Lau In and another for \$3,300. The upset price was \$3,000, and the annual rent \$150. We believe the purchasers intend to erect a lamp factory.

We are requested to state that there is no truth in the information communicated to the Editor of the *Hongkong Telegraph*, and published in Saturday's issue, to the effect that two Portuguese youths succumbed to the plague on Friday at Mosque-Terrace, and that the cause of infection is attributed to building materials from Tapingeban sold at auction by the Government.

THE German gunboat *Litke* has been in Macao for some days (says the *Echo Macanese* of the 8th inst.), which is extraordinary, because German men-of-war seldom visit this port. It is believed that some political end has brought her here, and that the rumour regarding thecession of Lappa to Germany was not altogether without foundation. The German officers of the *Litke* were entertained at a soiree on the 7th inst. by Mr. Ohlmer, the Commissioner of the Chinese Customs. A dinner, followed by a soiree, was to be offered the German officers at the Government House on the 8th inst.

WE have received a copy of the *Daily Chronicle* (Georgetown) containing several references to Dr. Carrington, the new Chief Justice of Hongkong, on the occasion of his departure from British Guiana. On the 21st January, the Village Councils throughout the Colony presented him with an address and a purse in acknowledgment of the valuable services he had rendered in matters appertaining to the villages. In the combined Courts, the elective members, with one exception, bade him an affectionate farewell, the addresses being most cordially appreciative of the hon. and learned gentleman's labour in the Colony. In replying Dr. Carrington was profoundly affected.

ON Saturday a schoolboy named Herbert Watson, eight years of age, made a very pucky recovery of his hat which had been stolen by a Chinese boy. Herbert was coming along Aberdeen Street about four o'clock on Saturday when he was pushed down by a Chinese boy who took his straw hat and bolted. The schoolboy picked himself quickly up and went off in pursuit, but the thief darted upstairs into a house in Salsuma Street. Later on the youngster brought a constable, and together they entered the house where the thief was discovered. He stated he had taken the hat to another house, and showed the way to the house where the hat was recovered from another Chinaman. The thief and recoverer of the hat were charged with the offence at the Magistrate's today. The thief was ordered to receive ten strokes with the rattan, and the other prisoner was sent to jail for twenty-one days with hard labour.

STREW the Emperor William's message of condolence have occurred repeatedly at Antwerp between German and English women. On 1st Feb., a serious affray took place between one of the German women *Freuden* and the crew of the English steamer *Bathmore*. One of the Germans received a blow which is likely to prove fatal. Several of the *Bathmore* hands have been arrested.

The following returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of specie in Hongkong, during the month ended 29th February, 1896, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks, are published:—

Banks.	Average Amount.	Specie in Circulation.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China.	1,962,111	1,000,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.	6,172,283	2,000,000
National Bank of China, Ltd.	438,437	217,000
Total.	\$8,572,831	\$3,217,000

LIEUT.-COLONEL Strelitzky, of the General Staff, has been appointed Russian Military Agent at Seoul, in Korea. He is a learned and distinguished officer, well known as a rapid Asiatic explorer, and is conversant with Oriental languages.

THE date of the launch of the new first-class ironclad of the *Royal Sovereign* type, now being built by the Thames Ironworks for the Japanese Government, has been fixed for March 31. The sister vessel being constructed on the Tyne at the Elswick works will be ready to be launched shortly after this date, but the exact day is not yet fixed.

'Mooze' in Truth says:—The new Chinese Loan has been secured by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in conjunction with a German institution, but it is a great pity that such pleasant borrowing is resorted to, and in the meantime to use two sets of such temptation to go in for this new loan, which is expected to be issued at 95, and to carry interest at 5 per cent. In fact, I am inclined to think that this report is erroneous, or that it was intended only as a bait for 'dem.'

It has been decided by the directors of the Rangoon opium license by notice to the highest bidder. The license will be for three years at an upset price of four lakhs of rupees for each year and the purchaser will be required to deposit the sum of one lakh immediately the license is knocked down to him, the balance being paid by monthly instalments. The Chinese will annually compete for these licenses will welcome this change.—*Rangoon Gazette*.

A LADY, who has just returned from the Rand, relates a somewhat gruesome experience which occurred to her in one of the leading Johannesburg hotels during the evening of the 2nd inst. She happened one day to use two cans of water standing outside a bathroom door, and the temptation to take a bath too strong to be resisted. While enjoying the luxury no long denied her, the lady was startled by a clamour at her door, and a voice which she knew of broken English not to pull up the plug: 'Do not use too much soap, madame: I want no water for so long a time.' The lady did not die at the table of that evening.

NUMEROUS, George Eliot's native town, and the 'Milly' of her early 'Scenes' has just acquired the Public Library Act. What is wanted now are gifts of books and money for the erection of a suitable building. In connection therewith Mr. A. F. Cross, editor of the *Manchester Observer*, makes the suggestion that the building should be named 'George Eliot Memorial Library,' where students and admirers could inspect such manuscripts and relics of the famous writer as may now be scattered broadcast and in danger of oblivion. The suggestion deserves support, and it is to be hoped it will receive it. We have no objection to a 'why not a George Eliot memorial?'

DURING the canvassing for the North Balf election some charming Irish 'bulls' cropped up. Mr. Wilson, speaking in support of the workingmen's candidate, said: 'Who is it that has not a father who is alive in his grave, or an uncle or a brother that is tottering, raising humps on their shoulders for their landlords? and again: "I would ask you to contrast him with the other candidate who is before you, and I know my own knowledge of cases where poor people died and came to Adam Turner, and had not the money. (loud laughter.) You only laughed before this. (More laughter.) It was the people's wives that came when the man died, and had not a penny to pay the man, and Adam Turner was the man that went forward with the coffin and hearse, and buried them free gratis.'

PERHAPS the most interesting clause in the recent Anglo-French agreement is that under which the two Governments agree that all commercial and other privileges and advantages conceded in Yunnan and Szechuan to the British and the French by their respective Conventions with China, or to be conceded hereafter, shall, as far as relate to these two powers, be common to both. 'We have no objection to these powers and the somewhat unusual language of the Convention. This reciprocity clause was, we understand, inserted in the Convention at the request of the Government of India in the hope that the influence of the two powers would induce China to open Yunnan. His promise was not without effect, for the most favoured nation treatment to which we are by treaty entitled, covers the same ground, not only in Yunnan and Szechuan but in the whole of China.—*Rangoon Gazette*.

THE last Calcutta death-rate reported is 39.1 per mille per annum, the mean figure for five years past being 34. In the week under report there were 18 deaths from cholera against 18 and 23 in the two preceding weeks. Our last week's mortality was 55 (says the *Singapore Free Press* of the 23rd Feb.), and we had no unaccounted cholera. But the artificial conditions in which an large proportion of the Chinese population live here, crowded and hot, and crowded together in crowded lodging houses, will always conduce to the spread of the disease. In fact, it is a domestic condition procurable under an equal distribution of the sexes. (The highest death-rate recorded in Hongkong this year was about 35 per thousand, and yet, Singapore like the justly celebrated port which addressed uncomplimentary remarks to the kingly, remains into quarantine against Hongkong. Foolish Singapore!—*Ed. C.M.*)

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AN EXCITING VOYAGE.

The British schooner *Emerald* (Captain Harrison) which arrived today from the Mariana Islands, has had an exciting voyage. The last day was left on Dec. 27, and on Jan. 6, the schooner, which is only 130 tons register, encountered a heavy gale off the Japan coast, and was damaged in it. 33.47 N. long. 141.25 E. For nearly a month strong westerly gales were experienced, and the vessel drifted to the eastward, sometimes at the rate of about 55 miles a day. In lat. 21 N. and long. 161 E. an easterly wind was picked up, and by the aid of jury masts and a course for Hongkong, during the prolonged voyage the provisions gave out, and the crew had to live upon the copra which formed the cargo of the little craft. When they arrived they were in a pitiful condition. The distance covered was 9366 miles.

PLAGUE PRECAUTIONS AT MACAO.

The *Echo Macanese* of the 8th inst. says that large numbers of Chinese passengers are daily disembarked at Macao from Hongkong and Canton where bubonic plague is reported to have re-appeared. The Government *Gazette* has just declared the ports of Hongkong and Canton infected. The inspection of passengers from both ports was resumed on the 7th inst.

OVIDE MUSIN CONCERT COMPANY.

FAREWELL CONCERT.

The Hongkong public at last awakened to the fact that they had three geniuses in their midst, and on Saturday turned up in large numbers at the Theatre Royal to hear the finest programme the Ovide Musin Company have ever presented to a Hongkong audience. The audience showed their appreciation of the different items in a very enthusiastic manner almost amounting to an ovation. The concert opened with Boethoven's 'Kreutzer Sonata' for piano and violin by Monsieur Musin and Mr. Scharf. This is a work of the greatest magnitude, very classical, and full of technicalities for both performers. It occupied thirty-seven minutes, and the musicians must be congratulated on the very efficient manner in which they performed this enormous task. The performance of the work classes M. Musin at once as a genius of the first order, and Mr. Edward Scharf as a brilliant pianist giving honest attention to the rendering of the Great Masters. It is difficult to find words of sufficient strength to praise these two excellent musicians. M. Musin infused in his playing a warmth and beauty of tone into the various phrases that captivated his listeners and kept them in close attention till the very end of the three movements. Even the unmusical portion of the audience (if any) could not help being charmed with such a performance. M. Musin's playing is of a length of the piece, joining with the others in praising such wonderful skill. The piece was doubly enjoyed and the audience over then was difficult to satisfy. Madame Musin contributed the second item, 'Brilliant Bird,' and showed her wonderful facility of voice over the two excellent musicians. The song is in a very florid style, and when left to such an artist to expound, its brilliancy was shown to great advantage. Needless to say this performance was loudly enjoyed. Mr. Edward Scharf gave Rubenstein's Etude Op. 23, in which he shone as well as the other two. He was not only a perfect technician of the style of a spinning song composition. In the second part of the programme Mr. Scharf gave a very fine rendering of Liszt's 'Campanella,' and as an encore a wonderful exhibition of a left-hand study, showing a power of control and dexterity which we should think it almost difficult to excel. Mr. Scharf has a peculiarly unassuming mannerism in his playing that at first leads one to believe he is not brilliant, but on closer observation he proves to have an execution that very few can equal. M. Musin's solo 'Souvenir de Moscow' was rendered with all the skill and feeling that he is capable of. His opening performance. The score is in a masterpiece in harmonies, and requires such a master as M. Musin to bring them out with telling effect. He gave as an encore some clever trickery in violin playing, both in bowing and fingering in the style of the two great violinists, Paganini and Kreisler, and in a solo on the violin, which was a revelation of the amount that could be done in this manner, and we question if even that genius of all geniuses could have excelled M. Musin's rendering with variations of Rossini's theme. M. Musin was three times encored after this performance, and played the 'Unholy of Venice,' with variations, showing some glorious harmonies in double stopping and also some marvellous exhibitions in harmonics. Two of the most pleasing items of the evening were the Ave Maria for voice, violin, organ, and piano. The 'Ave Maria' set to Massenet's 'Intermezzo' from *Claude Lorraine*, was the first and best of the evening. This charming melody is now so well known, and it was so excellently performed that it had to be repeated. Mr. W. Robinson assisted at the organ and rendered his part with fine expression, but his instrument, from the nature of it was scarcely strong enough to stand up to the orchestra. Such a piece requires a church organ for effect. The deeper tones of the bass, however, travelled fairly well, and filled in the foundation tone for the quartet. The concert closed with Gounod's 'Ave Maria' set to Bach's first prelude for the harp and sent the audience back to find farewell to a trio of musicians that it may be long before we hear the like of again in Hongkong.

THE *Pioneer Mail* says:—The retirement of Brigade-Surgeon Lieutenant-Colonel Raynolds, R.C., which was gazetted on the 8th of last month, recalls to remembrance the episode of Barker's drift during the Zulu war of 1879, for which he won the coveted decoration. Of his companions in arms, Major Beaumont died at Allahabad a few days ago so that Lieut.-Col. Raynolds, R.C., is the only one remaining on the active list of the officers who conducted the desperate defence of that memorable great distinction in South Africa, and has just passed to the Victoria Cross for his gallantry at Laing's Nek and the Lagopo River, and his devoted attention to the wounded under a heavy fire. Other retired officers in the senior ranks of the Army Medical Department that are impending during the current year are those of Surgeon-Major-General Patterson, Warrant Officer-General, and the last named, who has just been promoted to the rank of Major-General, and the last named, who has just been promoted to the rank of Major-General, and the last named, who has just been promoted to the rank of Major-General.

SHOOTING.

KOWLOON BUCK COMPETITION. The monthly competition for the Wallace Cup took place yesterday morning, and resulted in a win for Mr. J. Henderson with the first score of 91. The following were the scores:—

Player.	Score.	Player.	Score.
J. Henderson	44-64-42	23-53-53-53	50
L. McDonald	44-53-53	31-52-53-53	24
W. Stewart	34-54-53	24-54-53-53	29
Q. White	42-54-53	24-54-53-53	27
W. White	44-53-53	24-54-53-53	27
H. McNeill	42-53-53	24-54-53-53	24

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

Owing doubtless to the counterattraction of the Football match only four members turned up on Saturday afternoon to shoot in the re-construction competition, which was over the 800 and 300 yards distances. The occasion was the competition for the Short Range Cup, which was won for the first time by Captain Ferguson, who also secured the Spoon. The following were the scores:—

Player.	200	300	400	500	600	700	800	Total
Capt. Ferguson	32	33	33	33	33	33	33	226
Col. St. George	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	192
Mr. P. Smith	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	168

FOOTBALL CUP COMPETITION.

FINAL FIVE—A WIN FOR KOWLOON.

The final tie in the Football Cup Competition was played at the Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon before upwards of two thousand spectators. The teams were H.M.S. Canton and Kowloon F.C. The game resulted in a win for Kowloon by 3 goals to nil.

The kick-off was followed by a short stay in the Kowloon half. This was ended by Mylie running away cleverly and strongly and forcing the C to kick out. A piece of play followed, the strong C. The crowd became frequent and free, 'hands' were claimed in prolonged chorus and kicking out seemed the order of the game. After five minutes, Richards got off on the C's left, and made a splendid run, but kicked a little too late and the ball struck the C's right hand, and the C's goalkeeper picked up the ball and carried it to the right, making quite a run before he threw away. No foul was given. The C's got the ball, and were a trifle over-hasty. Byles were frequent, two of which the C's with a little more patience and judgment might have made good. A long kick was taken by the Kowloon half, and Stewart proved well letting 'Nobby' put in a good shot for the C's, which just cleared the bar. 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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 13th Inst., at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 6, 1896. 520

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI AND KOBE.

THE S.S. *Maria Teresia* having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Underwriter before Noon on the 13th Inst., on they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 13th Inst. will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 6, 1896. 513

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY'S Godowns at Kowloon, where such consignments will be sorted out, Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:—From Madras ex *S. S. Siro*.

Goods not cleared by the 15th Inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same given to the Underwriter, after which no Claims will be recognized.

A. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 495

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER BRINDISI.

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Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 495

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For Sale by A. B. Watson & Co., Chemists.

Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 495

Shipping.

Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWAN.

The Co.'s Steamship *Thales*, Capt. BATHURST, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 10th Inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 9, 1896. 534

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI.

The Steamship *Africa*, Capt. GORDON, will be despatched for the above Port at Noon, TO-MORROW, the 10th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 9, 1896. 506

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

The Steamship *Sungkiang*, Capt. C. B. N. DOWD, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 10th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, March 7, 1896. 532

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND & QUEENSLAND PORTS and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE).

The Steamship *Osaka*, Capt. PEDERSEN, will be despatched for the above ports on or about the 12th Inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to D. M. WRIGHT & Co., Agents throughout Australia.

Messrs. BURNS PHILIPS & Co., Hongkong, March 7, 1896. 517

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR CHEFOO AND NEWCHANG.

The Steamship *Fouchou*, Capt. BLACKBURN, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 14th Inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, March 6, 1896. 519

THE OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1896.

Chittagong.....[Saturday] 14th March.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

The Steamship *Chittagong* will be despatched hence FOR HONOLULU, VICTORIA, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 14th March.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be sent forward by the STEAMER to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 25, 1896. 441

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(Following the S.S. *Falouda* Hall).

The Steamship *Queen Olga*, Capt. HARRIS, will be despatched for the above Port on or about 15th March.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 25, 1896. 449

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

The Steamship *Guthrie*, Capt. MOHRTHUR, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about 15th Inst.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 3, 1896. 494

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship *Gaza*, Capt. BAXTER, will be despatched for the above Port at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 17th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 5, 1896. 507

Shipping.

Steamers.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Holtenauer*, Capt. P. WETZEL, will leave for the above Ports on or about THURSDAY, the 12th Inst.

For further Particulars, apply to MELOHRS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 7, 1896. 524

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Prinzess Alice*, Capt. HAGEMANN, will leave for the above Port at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Navy, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-shipment to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 3 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value if same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sausalito, California, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 1, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, February 24, 1896. 425

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Taichi (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama).....[Saturday, Mar. 21] at noon.

Belgia (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama).....[Wed. day, April 8] at noon.

Doric (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama).....[Saturday, April 25] at noon.

THE Steamship *GAELIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 21st March, at Noon, connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Navy, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (ex vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 511

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 100 A.T. British Ship *Queen Elizabeth*, Fulton, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 18, 1896. 489

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The American Barque *Coloma*, Notes, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 3, 1896. 490

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 100 A.T. British Ship *Brookfield Castle*, Farnborough, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 6, 1895. 3277

Mails.

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama).....[Thursday, Mar. 12] at noon.

City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama).....[Tuesday, Mar. 31] at noon.

China (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama).....[Thursday, April 16] at noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA AND YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 12th March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 3 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value if same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sausalito, California, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, February 24, 1896. 425

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Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 511

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Hongkong, February 18, 1896. 489

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Hongkong, March 3, 1896. 490

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Hongkong, December 6, 1895. 3277

Mails.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANY.

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Intimations.

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LI KWONG LOONG.
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paper and the same date. Printed mat-

ter may, however, be enclosed, if the

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rent may be paid either as Newspapers or

Books.

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as, though Written by Hand, do not bear

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all of the same weight, to addresses in

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deliver them to the Post Office unattended

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sender's account. Each batch must con-

sist of at least ten.

3. Boxholders may also send Patterns

to the same places in the same way. En-

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exhibited or stated to the Postmaster

General, as he may consider necessary, and

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2. That the letter was securely enclosed

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Postmaster General of Hongkong immedi-

ately the loss was discovered, and within a

year at the most from the date of Posting.

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fied that the loss occurred whilst the corre-

spondence was in the custody of the British

Postal Administration in China, that it was

not caused by any fault on the part of the

sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck,

nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any

person not in the employment of the

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damage to fragile articles such as portraits,

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a broken or deteriorated condition. Nor on

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Registered covers which have reached their

destination. Nor on account of any

article for which the addressee has assigned a

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When correspondence has been missed

or delayed (both of which are liable to

happen occasionally) all that the addressee

needs do is to note on the cover, Sent to

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may be, and forward it without any

other writing whatever, to the Postmaster

General. This action should be taken the

first time cause of complaint occurs; it is a

mistake to let such matters pass for fear of

giving trouble, a course which generally

gives more trouble in the end.

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noon.]

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mail mornings, when closing mails for Europe,

until noon.]

1.—Money Orders are issued at Hongkong

and Shanghai at current rates of exchange on

the following Countries and places:—

Canada.

China (Hankow, Canton, Swatow, Amoy,

Fuzhou, Ningpo, Hankow, and Shanghai).

Ceylon.

Hawaii (Sandwich Islands).

British India (including Burma and the Ag-

encies of the Indian Post Office in the Persian

Gulf